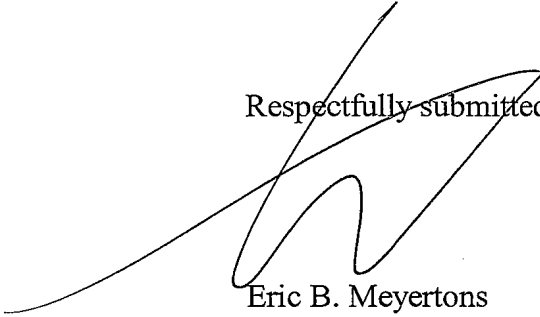


Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 within which to respond to the Official Action mailed December 23, 2008, such extension allowing the undersigned until June 23, 2009 to respond. If any further extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time.

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A fee authorization is enclosed for the three-month extension of time fee. However, if the fee authorization is missing or insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505\6165-10702\EBM.

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